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Pennsylvania Car Accident Statistics 2026

PennDOT Crash Facts 2025 vs the still-cited 2022 report, plus NHTSA 2025 and Q1 2026 estimates

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1,042
Pennsylvania traffic deaths in 2025 (PennDOT, updated)

109,541
reportable crashes in 2025

-11.6%
vs 1,179 deaths in 2022

Key findings

- PennDOT counts 1,042 traffic deaths in Pennsylvania in 2025 (updated August 18, 2026; the 2025 book printed 1,047), the lowest since record keeping began in 1928.
- That is down from 1,127 in 2024, 1,209 in 2023 and 1,179 in the still-cited 2022 Crash Facts report.
- 979 fatal crashes (lowest on record), 109,541 reportable crashes and 64,988 people injured in 2025.
- Alcohol-related deaths fell to 196 (320 in 2022) and speed-related deaths to 198 (268 in 2022).
- Bicyclist deaths rose to 28 from 19 in 2024; crashes involving a deer rose to 5,023 from 4,533 in 2022.
- NHTSA projects 223 Pennsylvania deaths in Q1 2026, up 25.3% from 178 (early estimate).
- Federal: FARS 2024 annual report file 1,127 deaths; NHTSA 2025 early estimate 1,069.

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Pennsylvania crash statistics by year, 2021-2025

Year	Deaths	Fatal crashes	Reportable crashes	Injured	Deaths per 100M miles	Alcohol-related deaths	Speed-related deaths	Pedestrians killed	Motorcyclists killed
2021	1,230	1,153	117,899	69,599	1.44	311	285	182	226
2022 (old report)	1,179	1,092	115,938	67,012	1.15	320	268	184	217
2023	1,209	1,132	110,382	66,546	1.21	308	280	186	238
2024	1,127	1,060	110,765	66,931	1.13	244	263	174	219
2025 (latest)	1,042*	979	109,541	64,988	1.10	196	198	160	186

* PennDOT updated the 2025 death total to 1,042 on August 18, 2026; the 2025 Crash Facts book and all other 2025 cells were printed when the total was 1,047. Mileage rates are as printed by PennDOT (each book uses the prior year's mileage at publication time).

Old 2022 report vs latest 2025 Crash Facts

Statistic	2022 Crash Facts	2025 Crash Facts	Change
People killed	1,179	1,042 (updated)	-11.6%
Reportable crashes	115,938	109,541	-5.5%
People injured	67,012	64,988	-3.0%
Suspected serious injuries	4,751	4,632	-2.5%
Alcohol-related deaths	320	196	-38.8%
Speed-related deaths	268	198	-26.1%
Pedestrians killed	184	160	-13.0%
Bicyclists killed	15	28	+13 deaths
Crashes involving a deer	4,533	5,023	+10.8%
Comprehensive loss from crashes	$29.34 billion	$29.97 billion	+2.1%

Changes are our calculations from PennDOT's printed figures.

Newest federal figures for Pennsylvania

- NHTSA early estimate, Q1 2026: 223 deaths in January-March 2026 vs 178 in Q1 2025 (+25.3%); 1.04 vs 0.84 deaths per 100 million miles (DOT HS 813 833, July 2026). Projection, subject to revision.
- NHTSA early estimate, 2025: 1,069 deaths (-5.1%), 1.06 per 100 million miles (DOT HS 813 800).
- FARS 2024 annual report file: 1,127 deaths, 8.6 per 100,000 people, 1.18 per 100 million miles (IIHS Fatality Facts 2024).

Other 2025 figures (PennDOT news release, April 29, 2026)

- 258 deaths in impaired-driver crashes (342 in 2024); 259 unbelted deaths (311); 492 lane-departure deaths (537); 54 deaths involving a distracted driver (49).
- 28 bicyclists killed (19 in 2024), 12 of them on e-bikes.
- Aggressive-driving deaths up 31% since 2020.

Insurance context

- Minimum liability 15/30/5 ($15,000 per person / $30,000 per accident bodily injury, $5,000 property damage) or a $35,000 combined single limit, plus at least $5,000 in medical benefits (Pennsylvania Insurance Department).
- Average auto insurance expenditure: $1,267.10 per insured vehicle in 2024, vs $1,154.15 in 2023 and $1,431.63 for the U.S. (NAIC 2024 Average Premium Supplement, Table 4).

Methodology

PennDOT Crash Facts & Statistics is compiled by the Bureau of Operations from police crash reports submitted by the Pennsylvania State Police and about 1,100 local police departments. A reportable crash involves an injury, a death within 30 days, or a vehicle that must be towed. Each book repeats the previous five years; we checked the 2021-2024 columns against the 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 editions. Speed-related deaths count only crashes where speed was the prime contributing factor. NHTSA 2025 and Q1 2026 state figures are statistical projections. Percent changes not attributed to PennDOT or NHTSA are our calculations.

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